MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*): In the Administration Report of the department, at page 6, it is stated—

"A scheme for the introduction of health education in schools in co-operation with the department of public health was considered."

May I know by whom it was considered ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): It was considered by the Director of Public Instruction in consultation with the Director of Public Health.

Cases in the Karunagapalli Stationary Second Class Magistrate's Court.

136 *MR. M. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the total number of cases in the Karunagapalli Stationary Second Class Magistrate's Court in which there have been transfer applications in 1109, 1110 and 1111 (till 28-11-11) respectively ;

(*b*) whether they are aware that the main ground stated in such applications for transfer of cases is the present Magistrate's relationship with, and other interests in, some of the influential persons within his jurisdiction ;

(*c*) whether Government follow any rule with regard to the transfer of judicial officers after a prescribed period ; and

(*d*) whether the present Stationary Second Class Magistrate, Karunagapalli, has, at his own instance, reported that any case might be transferred to other courts from his file and, if so, the number of such cases and the reasons alleged for such transfer ?

RAO BAHADUR DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*)

(*a*) 5 cases in 1109, 20 cases in 1110 and 5 cases in 1111 up to 28-11-1111.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) No particular rule.

(*d*) Yes, a statement* furnishing the information is laid on the table.

MR. M. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): In view of the answer to part (*b*), may I know what action Government have taken ?

RAO BAHADUR DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Sir, the fact came to the notice of Government only now when the interpellation was sent to the District Magistrate for answer.

MR. M. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): In the Appendix it is stated that three cases were transferred since the Magistrate was personally interested. May I know how ?

RAO BAHADUR DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I claim notice, Sir.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): May I know, Sir, whether, in the posting of these judicial officers, care is taken not to post them at or near their native places ?

*Vide Appendix I.

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RAO BAHADUR DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes, as far as possible.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): May I know, Sir, whether the recent transfers of judicial officers conform to the policy of Government not to post judicial officers as far as possible in their native places?

RAO BAHADUR DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I do not know what the member refers to, Sir, by recent transfers.

PRESIDENT: Why not the member draw pointed attention to some transfers?

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): Mr. K. K. Thomas transferred from Quilon to Kottayam; Mr. K. Sankaran newly appointed; to Quilon Mr, Nilakanta Aiyar at Nagercoil—all these are in their native places.

RAO BAHADUR DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Does that arise, Sir, in connection with the transfer of the Magistrate at Karunagapalli?

PRESIDENT. The policy in regard to the transfer of officers is sought to be known. The answer to the question whether care is taken not to post the judicial officers to their native places was that, as far possible, they are not posted to their native places. Now Mr. Kunjukrishna Pillai has drawn the attention of Government to certain instances where the officers have been posted to their native places and he wants to know how these happened. Are these the exceptions?

RAO BAHADUR DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): These tranfers were sanctioned on the recommendation of the High Court; and the High Court must have taken all facts into consideration before making their recommendation. If any further enquiry is found to be necessary in regard to this matter, the High Court may be consulted.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): May I know whether Government will direct that, as far as possible, the judicial officers are not appointed in their native places?

RAO BAHADUR DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes, Sir.

MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): How long has this Magistrate been at this particular place?

RAO BAHADUR DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Since Meenam 1108.

Grant from the Imperial Council of Agricultural Research.

137 *MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any grant is given, to this State, by the Imperial Council of Agriculture at Delhi, to carry on research work;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, how many items of research work are being carried on by these grants; and

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MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): That information has not been obtained.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I know the amount realised by the sale of lands in 1111?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): That information also has not been obtained.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*): May I know the reason for the increase in the number of defaulters? Is it due to the inability of the ryots to pay?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): It is purely a matter of opinion.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*): May I know what the information of the Government is in regard to the increase in the number of defaulters in 1111 as compared with 1110?

PRESIDENT: Less number of tax-payers paid. Therefore more processes.

MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil I*): May I know the amount realised by the sale of immoveables?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): That question was not asked and so I have not got the information.

Appendix I.

Vide Answer to Question No 136.

Statement showing the cases reported to be transferred from the Stationary Magistrate's Court, Karunagapalli.

No. of cases reported to be transferred to other Courts at the Magistrate's own instance.	Reasons alleged for such transfer.
42 cases.	*1 case.* For enhanced punishment *3 cases.* Since the Magistrate is personally interested. *38 cases.* To transfer the cases to the Courts having jurisdiction to try the cases.

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